## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring John Cosgrove for his courageous and selfless act of rescuing two victims of a Wisconsin plane crash. LANDSKE \_\_\_\_\_\_, read first time and referred to Committee on



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## SENATE RESOLUTION

## MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring John Cosgrove for his courageous and selfless act of rescuing two victims of a Wisconsin plane crash.

Whereas, While vacationing at Eagles Roost Resort in Cassville, Wisconsin on September 3, 2008, John Cosgrove's peaceful getaway erupted in chaos as a small single-engine plane splintered through the trunk of a large tree and slammed into two cabins below;

Whereas, Ignoring his own safety, Mr. Cosgrove rushed to the aid of crash victims Grant Vogt and Cory Alsip as fuel from the plane's tank spurred flames rising from the fuselage of the small craft;

Whereas, Maneuvering around the wreckage, Mr. Cosgrove found the young men, two aviation students from the University of Dubuque, fighting for their lives. Mr. Cosgrove tore the shirt from his own back and began smothering the blaze gathering around the motionless pilots;

Whereas, In a display of bravery, Mr. Cosgrove pulled both men to safety moments before the plane was completely



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engulfed in fire. Cassville Police Chief Brent McDonald acknowledged that if not for Mr. Cosgrove's selflessness, no one would have survived the unfortunate crash; and

Whereas, Asked to describe from where he found the courage to risk his own life, Mr. Cosgrove said,"It's not about being a hero, it's about reacting to what's going on, there were two guys on fire, you are not just going to stand there and watch them." The Indiana Senate recognizes Mr. John Cosgrove for his bravery and humility, and is proud to have him as a resident of Indiana; Therefore,

## Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes John
2	Cosgrove for his courageous and selfless act of rescuing of two
3	plane crash victims.
4	SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
5	to transmit a copy of this Resolution to John Cosgrove.

